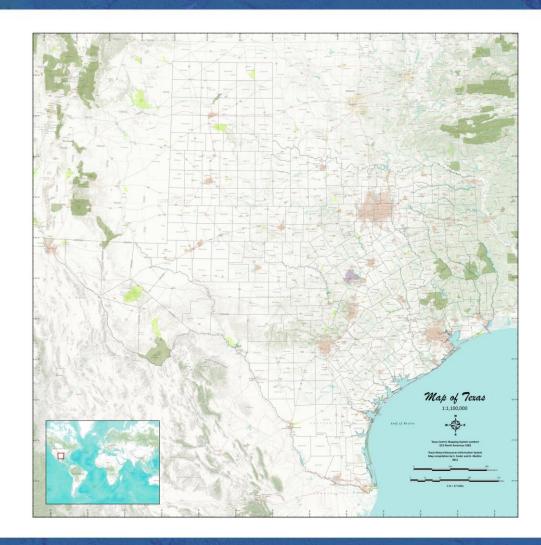


The Changing Landscape of GIS

A Texas Perspective





Texas Natural Resources Information System



Talking Points

- A history of TNRIS and GIS in Texas (my version)
- Importance that census data played in Texas GIS
- How public domain concept continues to be the model for the future



Who are we?

(Texas Water Code, 16.021)

TEXAS NATURAL RESOURCES INFORMATION SYSTEM.

...to serve Texas agencies and citizens as a centralized clearinghouse and referral center for:

natural resource data; census data; data related to emergency management; and other socioeconomic data.



Why are we associated with the Texas Water Development Board?



Texas Natural Resources Information System





TEXAS WATER CODE

§ 11.070. Centralized Data

The staff shall create a centralized data bank incorporating all hydrological data collected by state agencies. (55th Legis., Ch. 425, Sec. 21, subdiv. (j), as amended.)

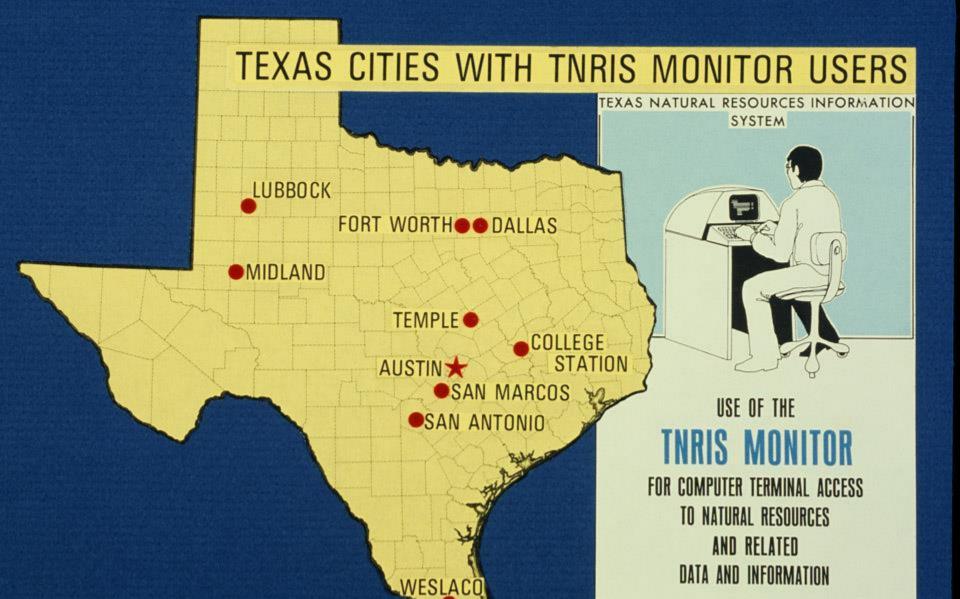


History

- Concept of TNRIS came from the drought and floods of the 1950's
- The "Texas Water Planning Act" of 1957 mandated a data planning inventory be established.
- In 1967 the Texas Water Code was revised which directed the Texas Water Development Board to formally establish a centralized data bank officially known as the "Texas Water Oriented Data Bank".
- 1972 the "Texas Natural Resources Information System" was officially established.









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GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM

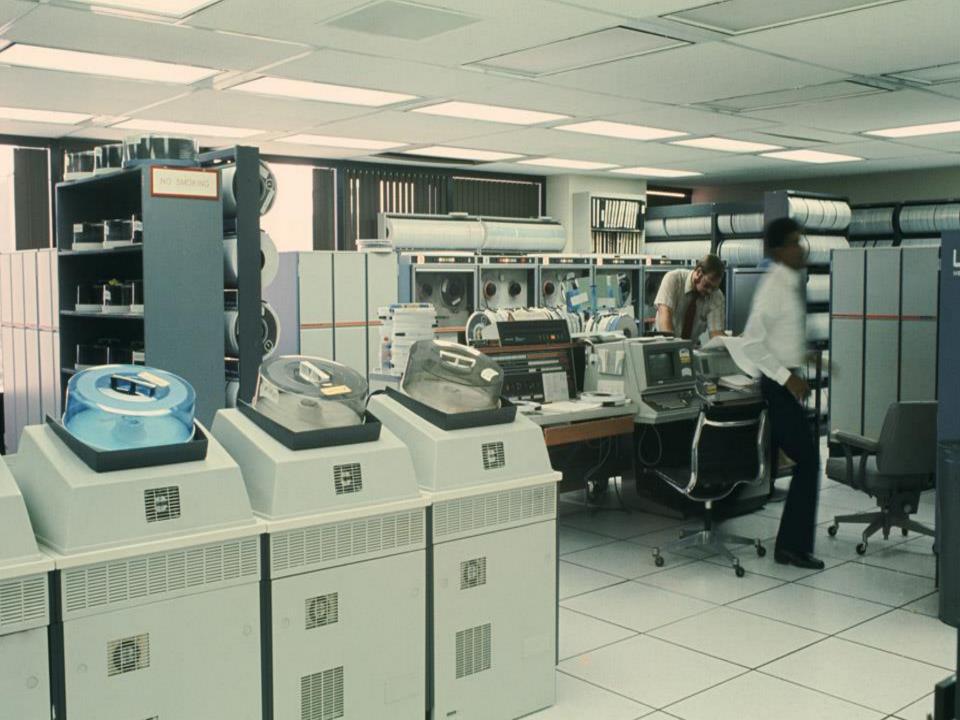


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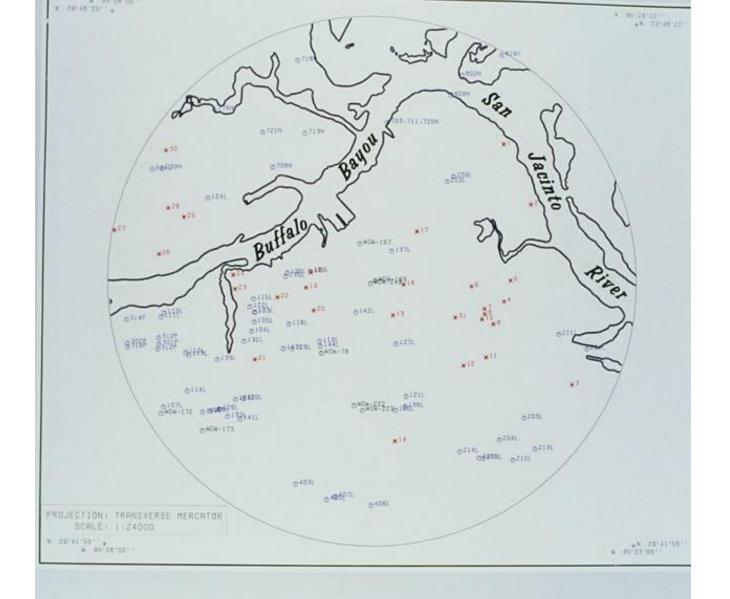
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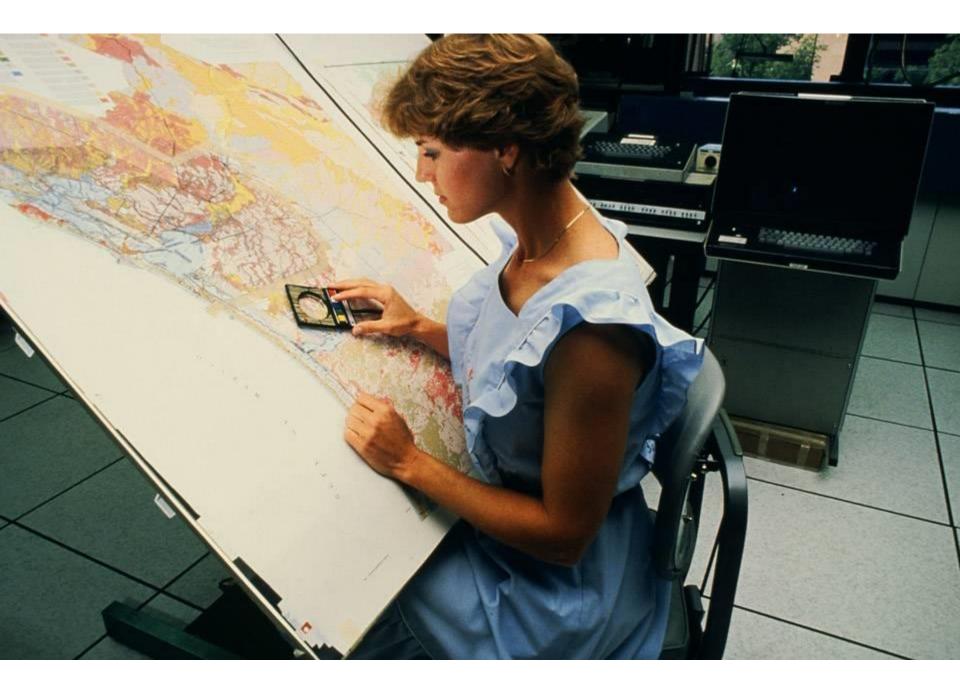
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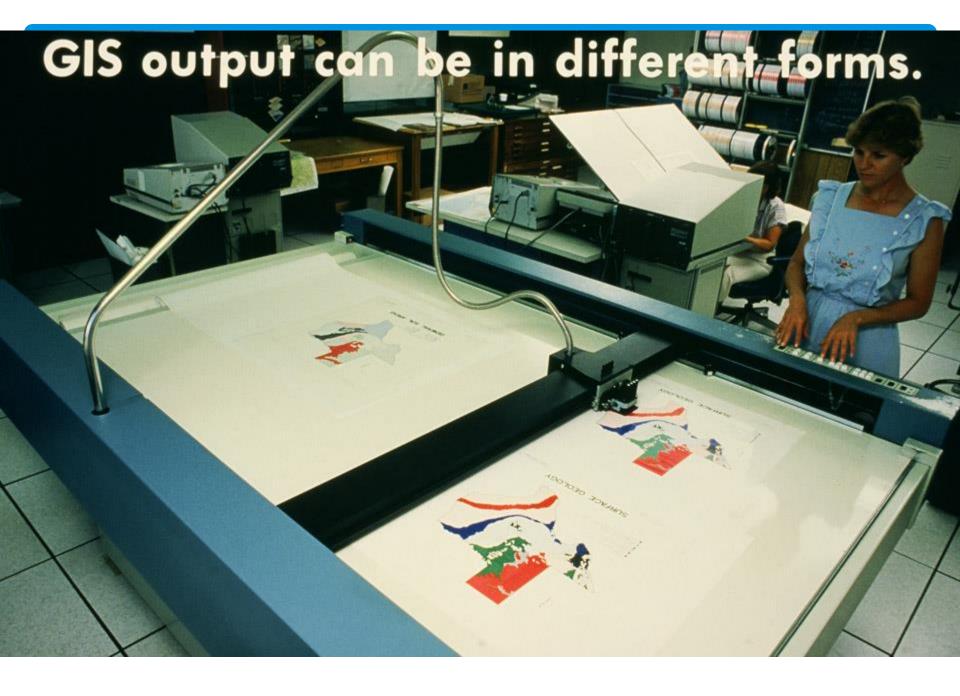








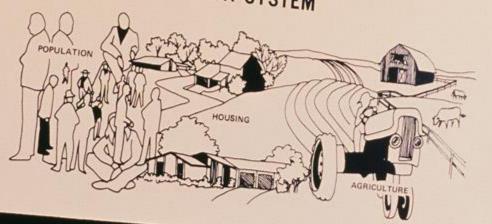




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CENSUS

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TNRIS Short Courses









In 1987 something interesting happened!



The Water Resources Department was split into two agencies.

The Texas Water Commission and the Texas Water Development Board

Texas Natural Resources Information System

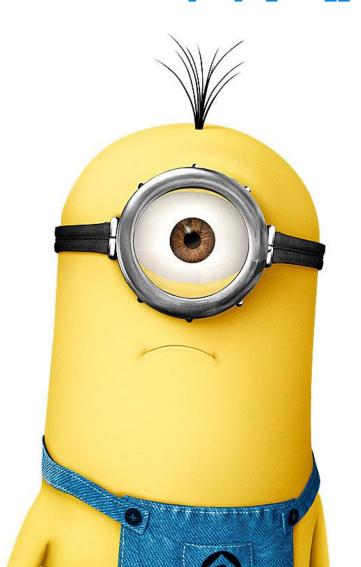


TNRIS went to the Texas Water Development Board



But the **GIS** went to the Texas Water Commission

WAAAAT!!







TNRIS got this!



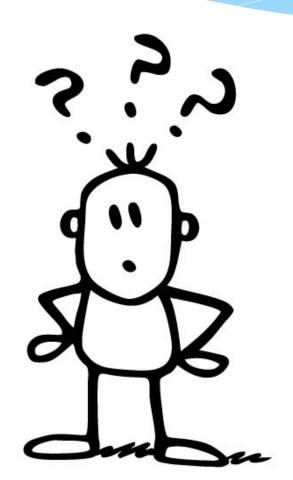


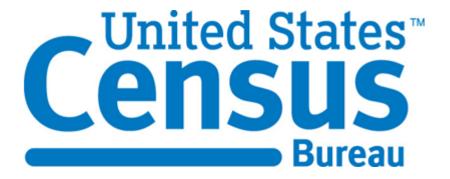


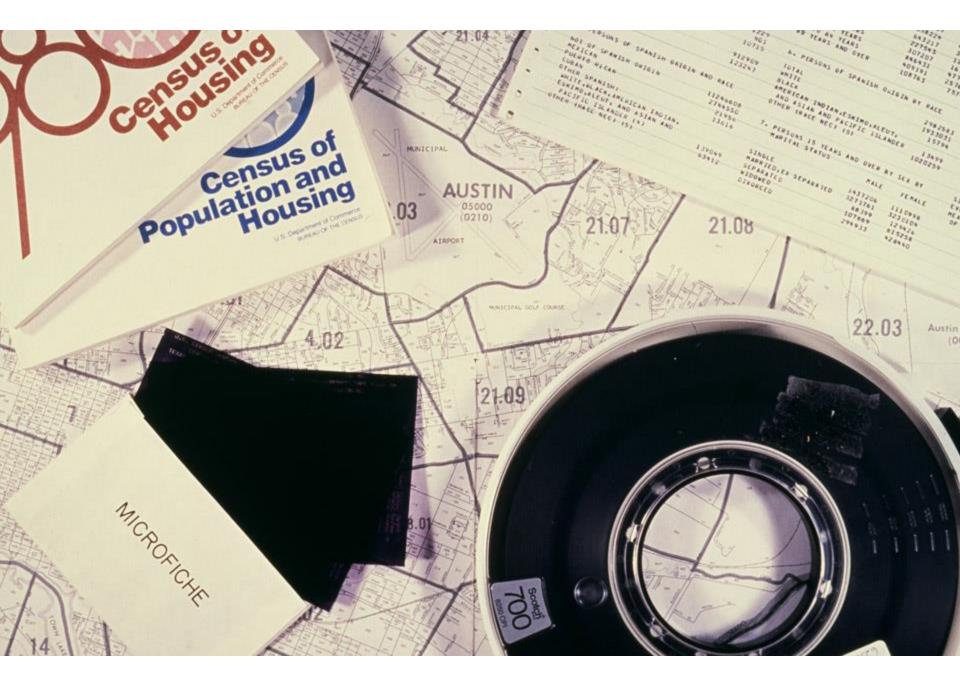




Where do we get GIS data





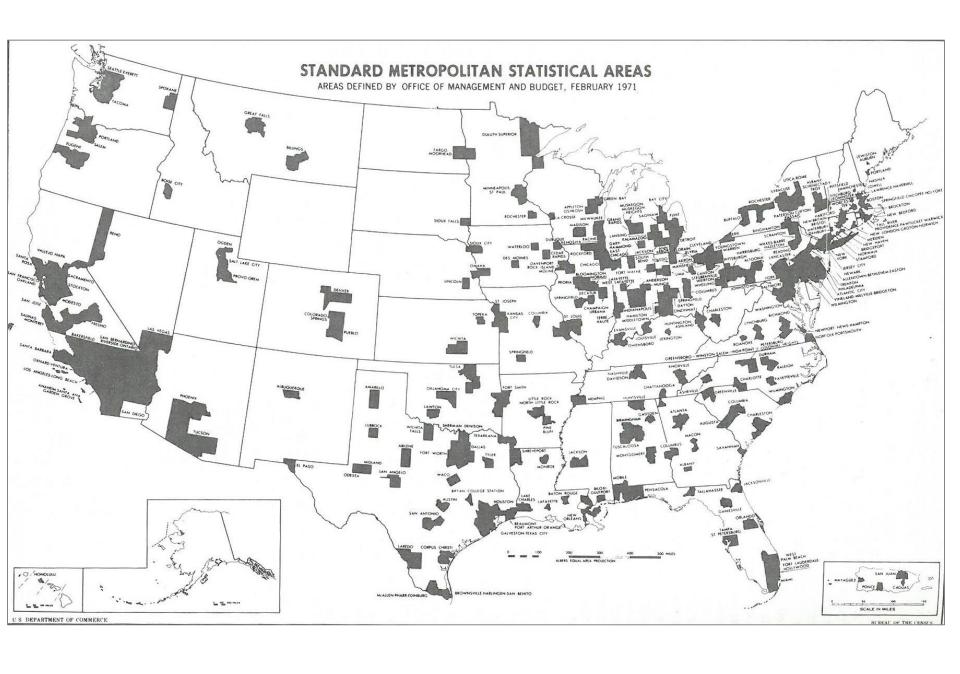






Dual Independent Map Encoding (DIME)

- Developed as a way to link digital map files to the "address coding guide" to support the U.S. Census Bureau with Mail-out and Mail-back procedures for the 1970's Census.
- Built upon a selection of streets, railroads, administrative boundaries, and hydrological features digitized from the Census Bureau's Metropolitan Map Series (MMS) program.
- MMS map source files were the USGS 7.5 minute quads.





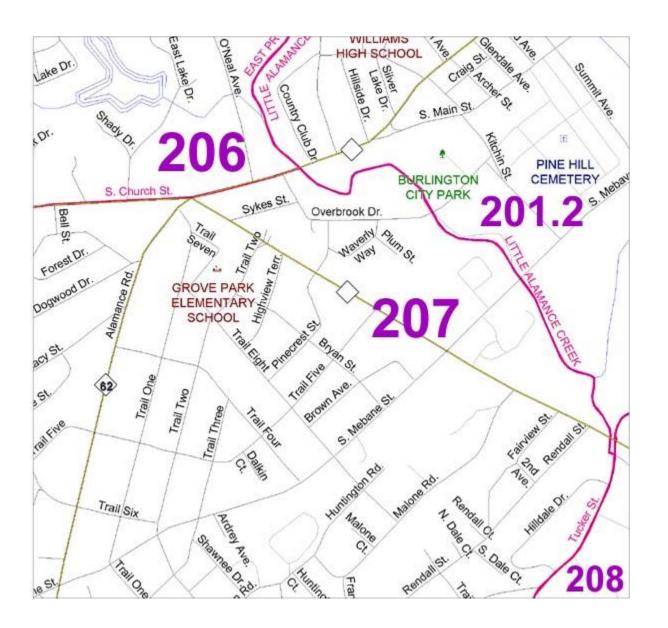
Dual Independent Map Encoding (DIME)

- Vector based data structure where intersections, streets, and blocks became analogous to points, lines, and polygons
- First to incorporate a basic topological data structure

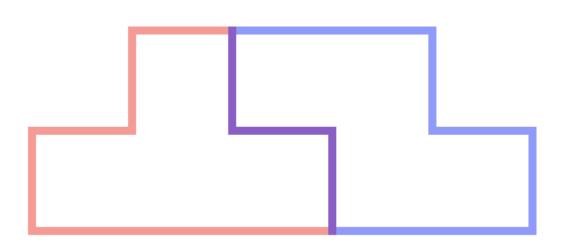


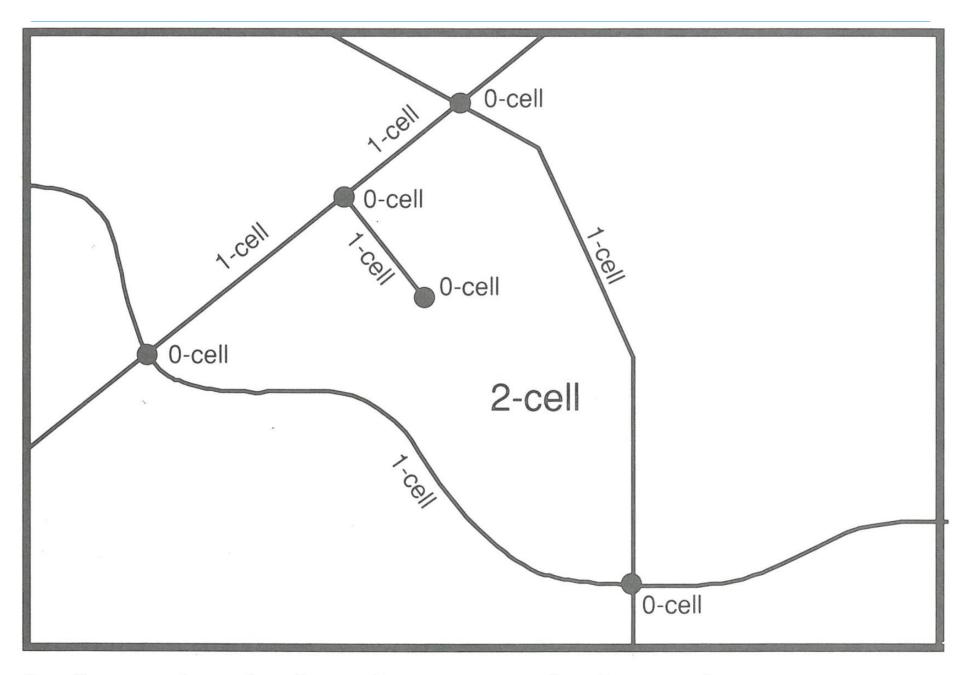
What is Topology?

- Topology is the definition of how points, lines and polygons are spatially related to each other on the map



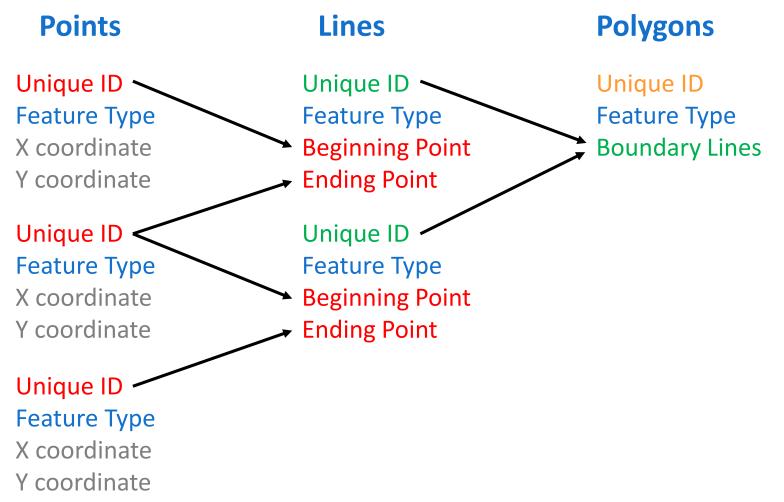


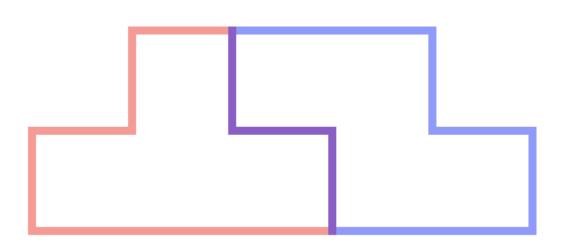




0-cells are points; 1-cells are line segments; 2-cells are polygons

General Topologic Relationship Scheme

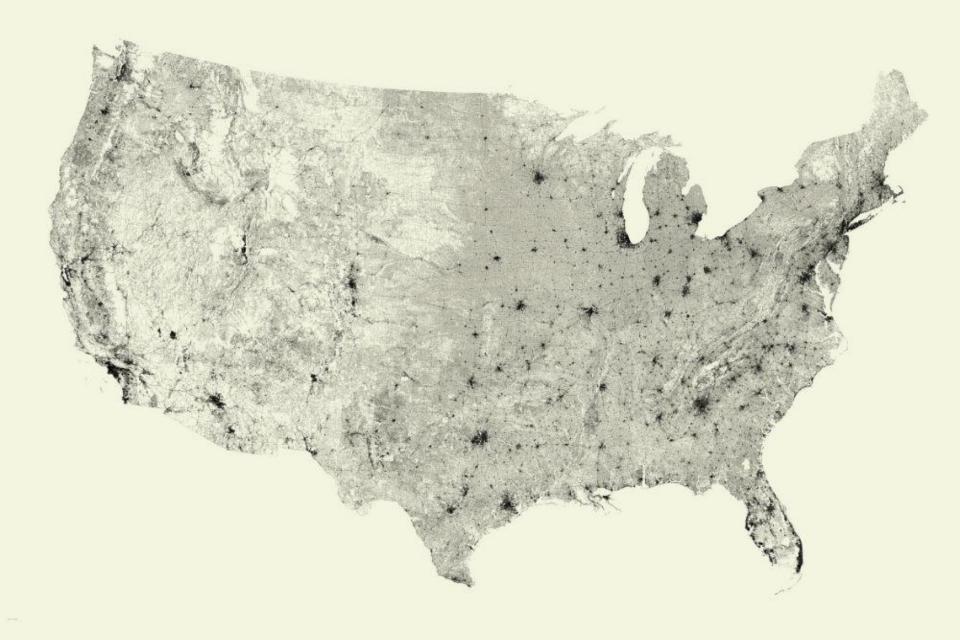






Topologically Integrated Geographic Encoding and Referencing (TIGER) Database

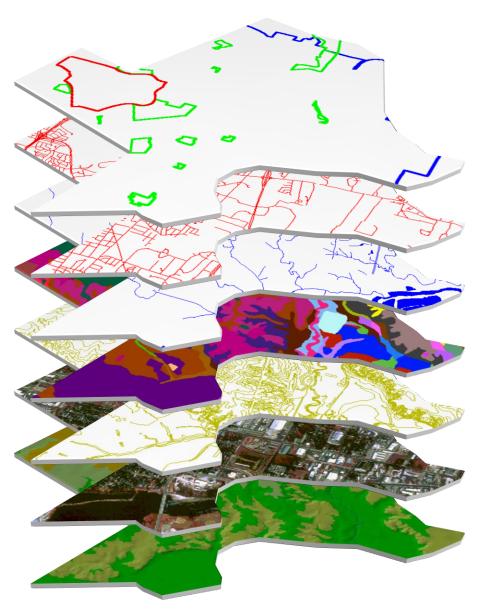
- A Collaborative effort between the Census Bureau and the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) for the 1990 Census
- The TIGER database contained a latitude/longitude-coordinate for more than 30 million feature intersections and end points and nearly 145 million feature "shape" points that defined the more than 42 million feature segments that outlined more than 12 million polygons.
- National Coverage











Boundaries

Transportation

Water Features

Soil Surveys

Contours

Digital Orthophoto Quadrangles

Digital Elevation Models



StratMap

Data Layers Including but not limited to...

Imagery

Elevation / Contours

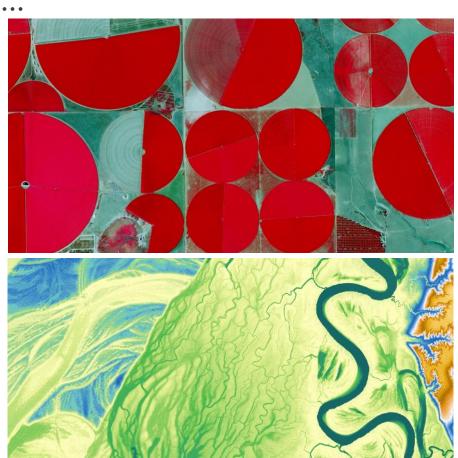
Hydrography (surface water)

Transportation

Political Boundaries

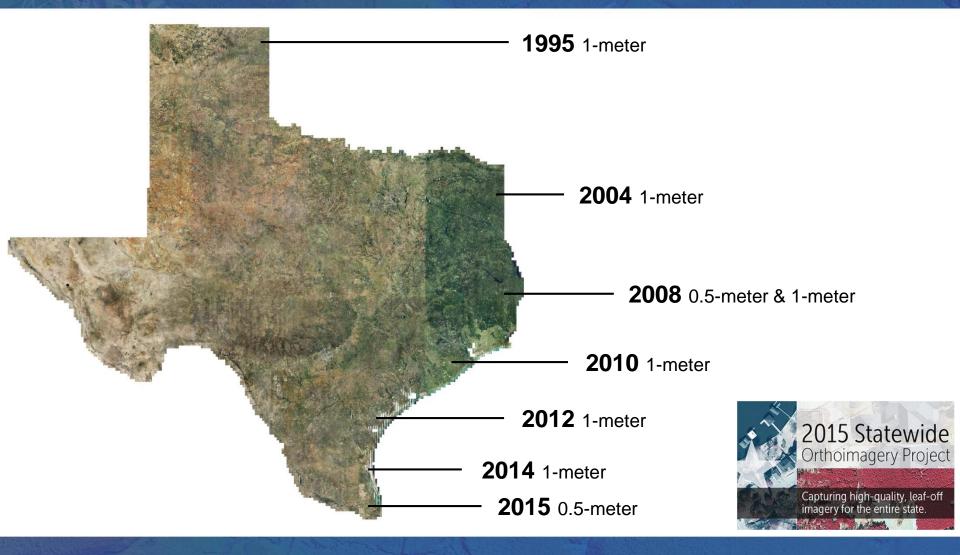
Soil Surveys

Land Cover





StratMap Orthoimagery

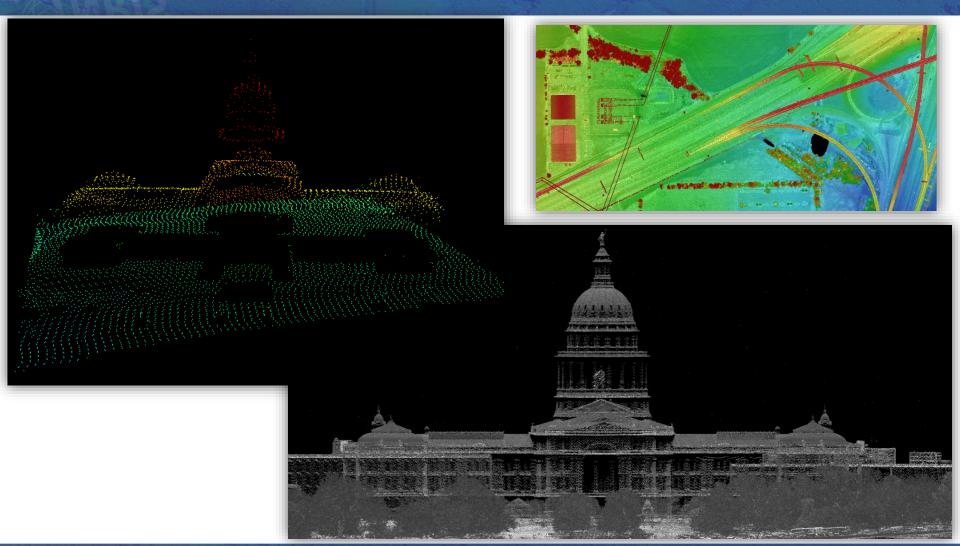




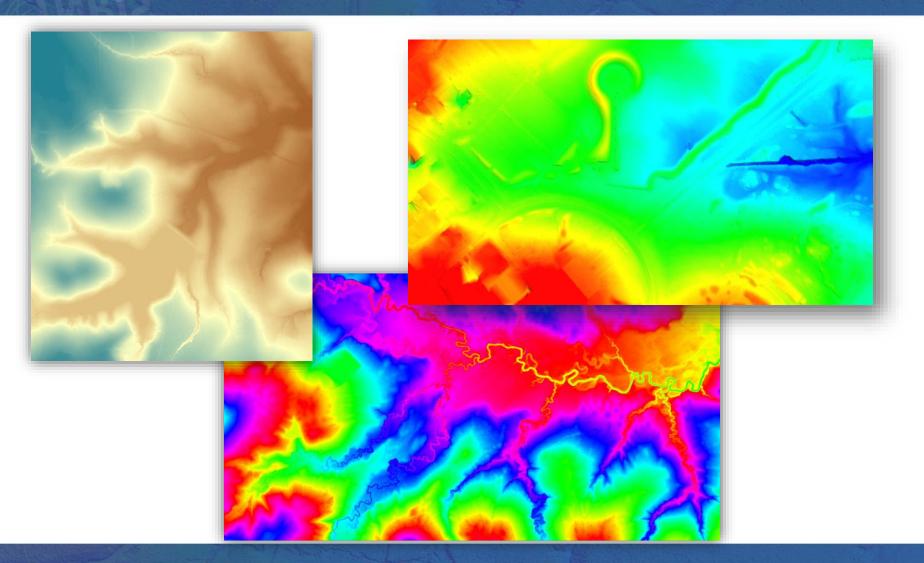
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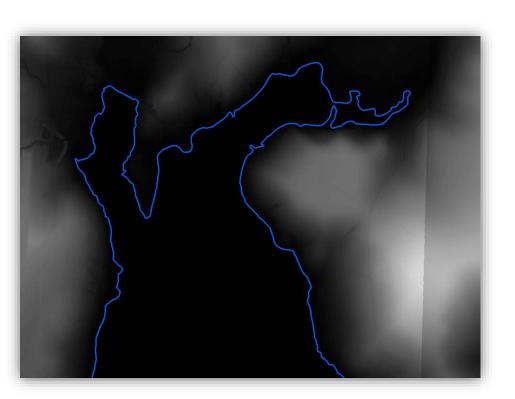




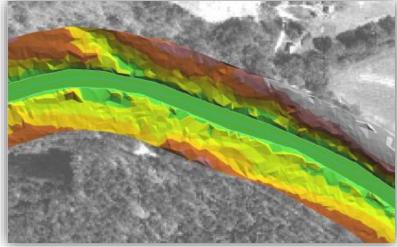




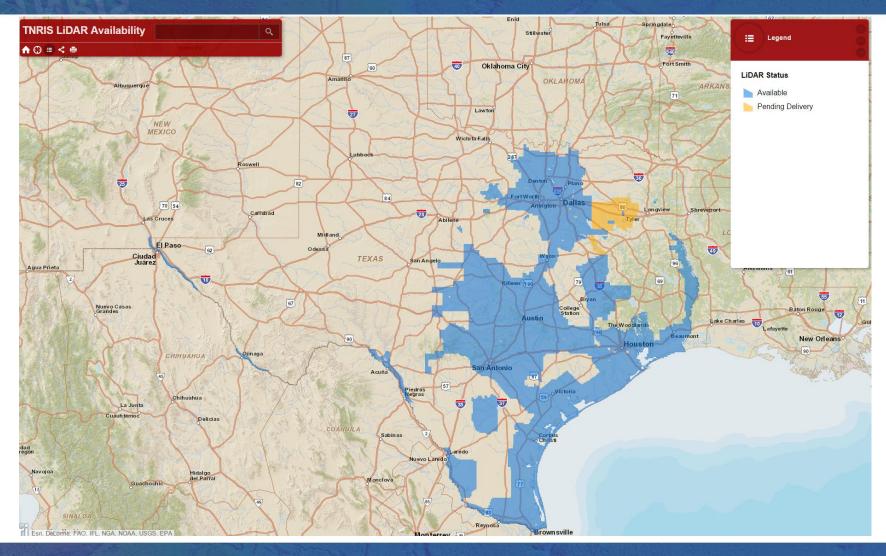










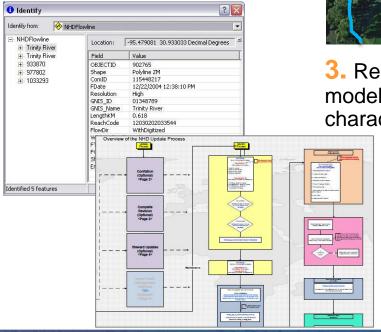




StratMap Hydrography

National Hydrography Dataset (NHD)

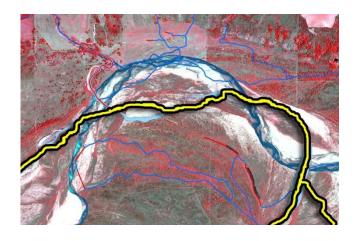
2. Database of information describing water features

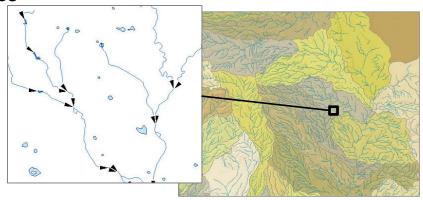




3. Relational flow model & watershed characteristics

1. Digital map of surface water features



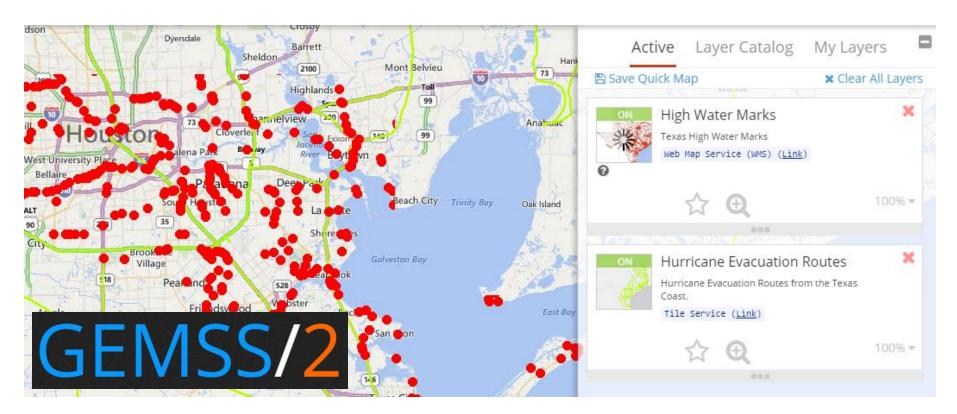




Emergency Support

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c. (3) support geographic data needs of emergency management responders during emergencies;





Information Services

Texas Water Code 16.021

c. (5) support public access to state geographic data and





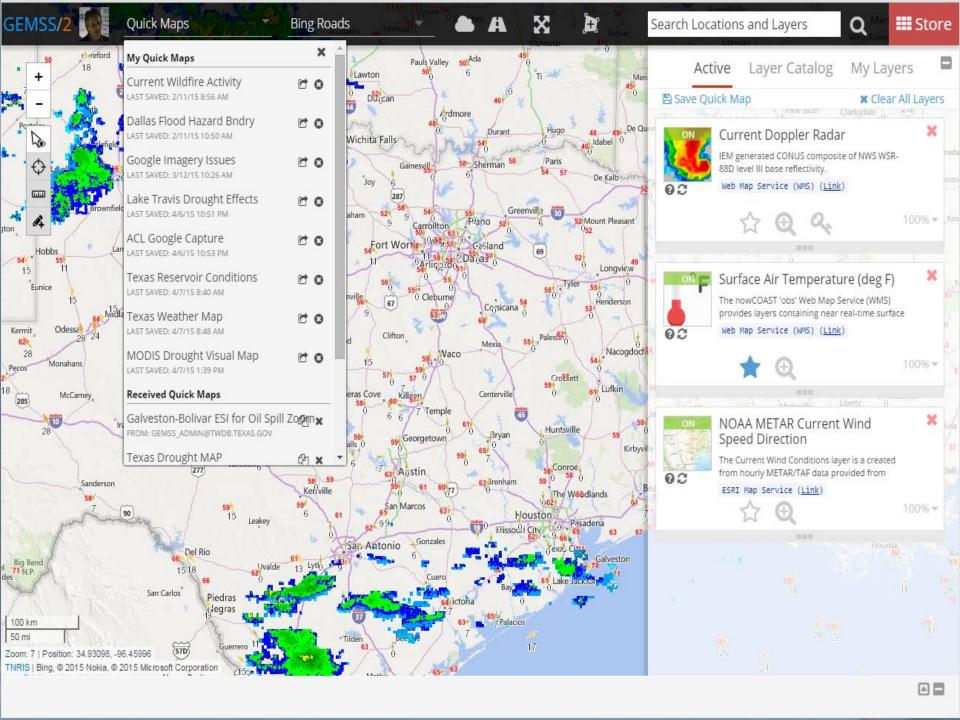
Where are we today?

- GIO position established in 2011 (82 Legislature)
- New GIS governance council est. 2015
- Focus on data service model vs download
- Working with private sector to reduce statewide costs and redundancy.
- Cost share contracting capabilities to leverage statewide partnership participation.



Where are we going?

- Data Sharing (open data)
- Authoritative data sources
- Build and maintain partnerships (for cost sharing)
- Making recommendations to the Governor relating to the states geospatial needs
- Striving to keep data in the public domain



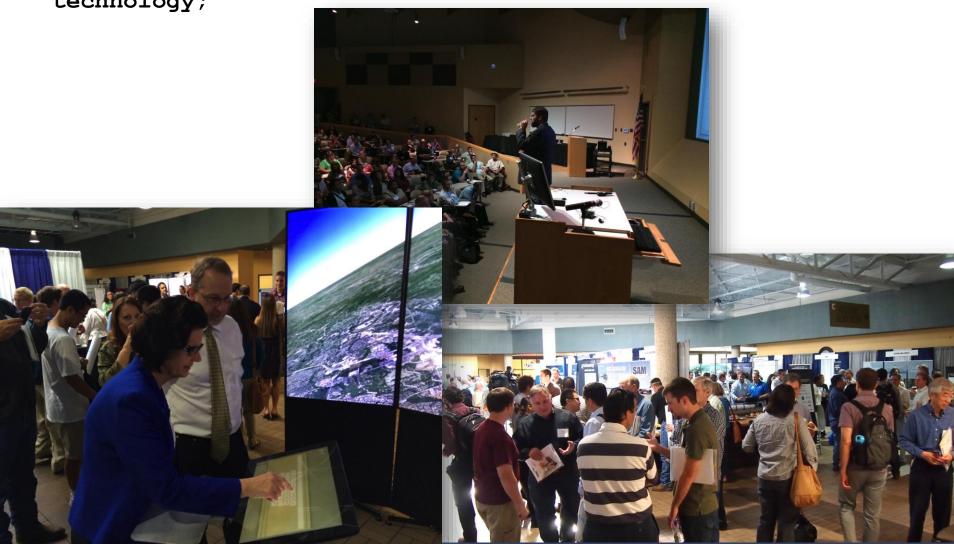


Training

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c. (4) monitor trends in geographic information

technology;



Welcome

sectors.

Call For Presentations

Keynote Speaker

David Cowen

Dr. David Cowen is recognized as a Fellow of the UCGIS in recognition of his sustained and effective contributions to the field of Geographic Information Systems and Science. Professor Cowen's contributions in the areas of GIS applications, education, research, government service, and commercial development have had a deep and long-lasting impact upon both geography and GIScience, and on the ways in which GIS is viewed by society.

Save the date for the Texas GIS Forum, the premiere, statewide conference dedicated to spatial technology advancements in the government and private

In addition to a distinguished academic career at the University of South Carolina, Professor Cowen has worked for more than three decades to demonstrate how geographic concepts and GIS can substantially increase the effectiveness of many activities in the public sector.





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This free, interactive, technical conference, held at the Commons Center of the JJ Pickle Research Campus, is specifically for the Texas GIS/geospatial developer community.

Join us to learn about tips and techniques for open data, open source, and commercial GIS applications.

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C Register for the GeoRodeo

Keynote Speaker Andrew Hill, CartoDB



Andrew Hill is the Chief Science Officer at CartoDB where he explores the future of online mapping to help guide innovation and education. He is a biologist by training but has been working in maps, GIS, and data visualization for many years.

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